

**(Washington, D.C) – Congressman Wally Herger (R-CA) today was appointed to be the Chairman of the Ways & Means Subcommittee on Health for the 112th Congress. Herger held the position of Ranking Member on the Health Subcommittee in the 111th Congress. With this appointment, Herger will help lead the effort to repeal ObamaCare and to advance reforms that will actually lower health care costs and increase access to quality care. Congressman Dave Camp (R-MI), Chairman of the Ways & Means Committee, praised Herger for his leadership on health care and offered his congratulations on his new post. Their comments follow below:**

“I look forward to working with Chairman Camp, Speaker Boehner and the rest of the new House Leadership to follow the will of the American people and repeal ObamaCare as soon as possible. Since the debate over health care reform began, the American people have strongly signaled their opposition to this job-killing law that puts Washington at the center of American health care. It is my top priority to put an end to ObamaCare and put into place solutions that will truly address health care costs – like increasing competition, eliminating frivolous lawsuits, and creating a level playing field for all Americans to have access to affordable coverage. This will not happen overnight, but only through hard work and diligence. We heard the American people loud and clear on Election Day. Today marks the beginning of returning the people’s will to the People’s House.”

**Chairman Camp commented,** “I congratulate Congressman Herger on his appointment and I believe the Ways and Means Committee will be well served with him as the Chair of the Health Subcommittee. Wally brings a tremendous amount of experience to the job and is one of the best team players I have ever worked with. He will work tirelessly to ensure our members, the entire House and the American people are fully educated about the dangers the new health care law pose to the doctor-patient relationship and especially seniors who rely on Medicare.”